

Campus Judicial Code to be Challenged Today

Senior Raises Concern Over Off-Campus Policies

by Andy Baron

FSC senior Paul Brady will stand before the Student Affairs Committee today at 3:30 in room G-04 of the Hammond Building to answer questions regarding his proposed amendment of Chapter Seven of the Campus Judicial Code.

Chapter Seven currently states that students who commit violations off-campus, within the geographical limits of the Fitchburg-Leominster Standard Metropolitan Statistical area, are subject to both campus judicial action and local law enforcement.

"The administration at FSC is regulating off-campus students," said the 24-year-old Brady of the current code. "I don't think that's right."

As a result, Brady submitted an amending 10-page proposal to the All-College Committee which was then forwarded to the Student Affairs Committee. The proposal cites five legal texts and one newspaper.

In Brady's revised plan, he argues that off-campus students are private citizens and should have the same rights as Fitchburg citizens.

Pat Mack, president of the Student Government Association, is in full support of Brady's plan. "I firmly believe in upholding the rights of citizens," Mack said. "If a student was to be punished off-campus, then it's not the right of the college to punish the student as well."

Mack added that since FSC is a public school then the college shouldn't intervene in off-campus matters. "It's an entirely different issue when you're dealing with public colleges," he continued. "The code should not apply here."

In particular, Brady sees two problems with FSC's right to control students and their off-campus activities.

The first legal snag is the *In Loco Parentis* Doctrine. According to the National Student Association, *In Loco Parentis* is a theory that "establishes the university as paternal guardian over the moral, intellectual and social activities of the student."

The second problem, double jeopardy, also comes into play. Double jeopardy, as defined by the "Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology," says, in part "...that an

individual should not undergo multiple punishments for the same offense."

Lon Vickers, vice president of student affairs, disagrees with the double jeopardy label at FSC.

"It's not a question of double jeopardy," Vickers told the *Fitchburg Sentinel* March 2, 1987, "because students are here on a voluntary basis. Courts have continually maintained that institutions have the responsibility to police their own students."

However, Brady questions both the legality and morality of controlling the activities of students living off-campus.

In his proposal, he cites a passage of "The Rights of Americans" that reads, "...higher educational opportunity is so important that it should be a carefully protected right, not to be taken away except for weighty reasons..."

"Does the academic suspension of a student arrested for selling alcohol at a local party off-campus constitute enough weighty reason?" writes Brady in his proposal.

Apparently, it provides ample reason. The initial enforcement of the regulation was put into effect last December when FSC student Jeff Callahan was arrested by Fitchburg police for serving alcohol to minors at an off-campus party.

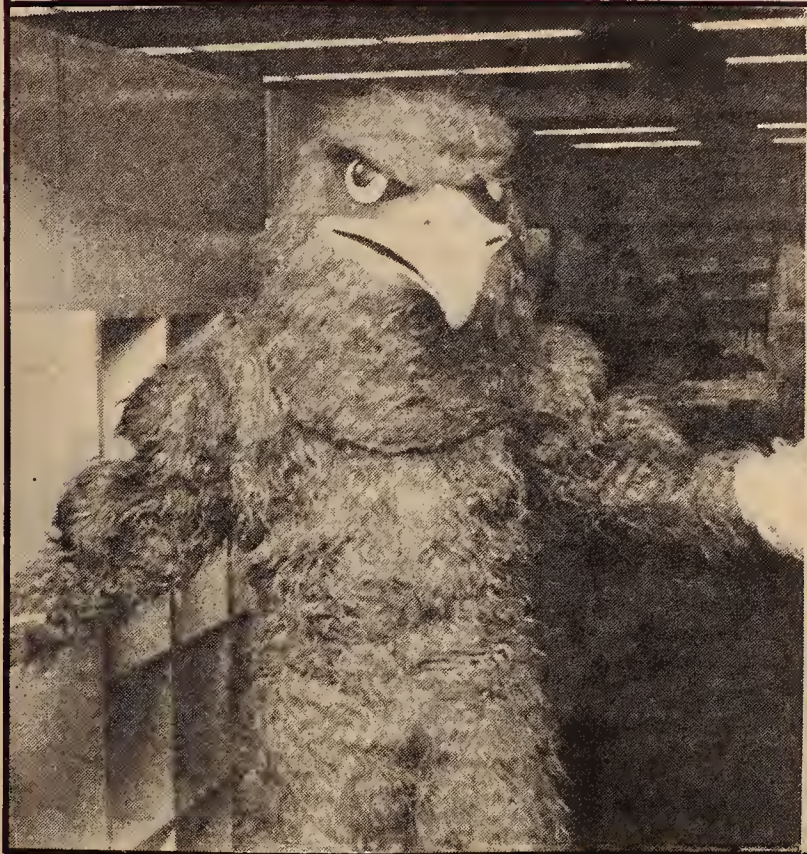
Callahan faced charges by the Fitchburg police department and the FSC college judicial board and other school administrators, an apparent double jeopardy incident.

Brady said that he is striving to make a policy similar to that of North Adams State. That college has amended their double jeopardy tactics so that college administrators and college officials cannot prosecute, expel or suspend students who violate state and/or local law.

An undisclosed source at a Student Trustee meeting recently said that FSC President Vincent Mara would reject the proposal regardless of its passage through the All College Committee (ACC) and the Student Affairs Committee.

With that in mind, Brady is currently working with the SGA to collect approximately 3,400 student signatures on a petition.

Falcon Extends Warmth



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Freddie Falcon made an appearance in the Hammond Building recently.

Pediatrician Examines Parent and Child Interaction

by Tracy Marion

In a seminar entitled "On The Family" recently, Pediatric Specialist Dr. Michael D. McKenzie examined issues of child development and parent/child interaction. The program, sponsored by Women in Today's Society (WITS), was entitled "Families Developing Together: Issues of the First Three Years."

As a pediatrician, McKenzie has lectured and written extensively on the subject of parent-child interaction. In addition, he has served as a consultant to various early intervention centers and has worked with the Child Development Unit at Children's Hospital in Boston.

McKenzie feels that parents need to regard their children, from the time they are infants, as "understanding, responsive human beings" and to listen to their likes and dislikes.

"Pay attention to children and how they function, not how we want them to function," he said. A native of New Zealand, McKenzie candidly and humorously sketched basic and important areas of development—sleeping, feeding, autonomy and toileting—where many families don't develop together.

An overview of sleep patterns was accompanied by a cartoon projection of a chubby, rosy-cheeked baby, awake and bouncing next to a distraught mother.

McKenzie shared the anecdote of a woman who still felt that her children, though grown, still owed her two years of sleep.

"Sleeping patterns are learned in a system which includes parents as well as child," he said. "Once patterns are developed, they're hard to change."

An emerging personality trait is noticed when children want to begin

to feed themselves, said McKenzie. "If you don't appreciate that they want to feed themselves, you won't win. Battling head-on is not the way to do it."

He advocates the use of both prepared and frozen food for the stage at 12 months when the child is picky and eats less. This stage is followed by the child eating just about anything.

McKenzie addressed concern over people's obsession with a daily balanced diet. If you look at diet over the period of three months, instead of one day, children receive a balanced diet, according to McKenzie.

If the right foods are available to them, children will eat what the body needs. He suggested allowing toddlers who are busy and eat on the run to eat at a table their own height and when they are ready.

Discipline is another important aspect of development. Oftentimes, infants don't understand the word 'no' as applied to a specific action.

When children want to do "one last thing" just when it's time to go somewhere, even when it's inconvenient, says McKenzie, "let them do it for 35 seconds." He believes it makes all the difference in the world and is important for developing autonomy. "You have to play along with these things," he said.

"I have a profound respect for what little people are able to do and

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Fire Sweeps Snow St. Apartment

Nine Residents Evacuated

by Cynthia Donovan

A fire broke out in the garage behind 99—101 Snow St. and rapidly spread to the attached three-story wooden house early morning Nov. 4. Don Desjardins, an FSC student and resident of 103 Snow St., reported that he called the fire department between 12:15 and 12:30 a.m.

Firefighters responded immediately and evacuated the house, home to nine local residents. In addition, 103 Snow St., a 12-unit apartment building housing local residents and FSC students, was evacuated.

Mark Adams, an FSC sophomore and resident of 103 Snow St., stated that he had gone to bed at 11 p.m. in his first floor room located in the rear of the building. If his roommates had not alerted him, Adams claims that he never would have woken up.

At 1:24 a.m., *The Fitchburg Sentinel* reported that a second alarm was called, bringing in firefighters from Fitchburg and Lunenburg. Extra caution was necessary to prevent the

fire from spreading to neighboring buildings 15 feet away. David Knight, an FSC student and resident of 103 Snow St., felt that because of the smoke damage he would have to go sleep somewhere else.

"First it looked like fog rolling in," said FSC student Craig Albano. Albano first spotted the smoke on Congress St. several blocks from the fire. Junior Carolyn Cariedo was taking a walk with her roommate Diane Outhouse when she heard the fire from Highland Ave. The day after the fire, sophomore English major Lynda McGuirk complained that her apartment on North St. still smelled of smoke.

One local resident, when asked about the suspicious origin of the fire, responded that house fires have become a form of "urban renewal" in the college area. He went on to explain that many property owners "can't get rent money from poor, local residents so they burn it (the house) down" and collect insurance money.

Behavioral Science Courses to be Offered

This spring the Behavioral Sciences Department is introducing two related courses in the area of sex roles. Dr. Carol Gay (Psychology) will teach "The Psychology of Gender Issues" and Dr. Margot Kempers (Sociology) will teach "Women in Society." The two professors see the courses as offering complimentary perspectives on the many puzzling issues that confront men and women as they attempt to establish satisfying life styles in contemporary society.

Dr. Gay describes her decision to offer the course on Gender Issues as arising from a growing away that it is time for a new "gentle revolution." "As a veteran of the 1960's movements, I have observed men and women expressing anger and frustration for over 25 years. It is time for healing and moving towards people relating to people and today's college students are ready to show us the way. I intend to be part of that healing," she said.

According to Gay, the course on Gender Issues will focus on topics which include: Origins of Sex Differences; Perceptions of Sex Differences; Manliness—masculine ideals through the lifespan; Woman-

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To Our Readers:

The Strobe will not be published Wednesday, Dec. 2, in order for the staff to fully enjoy Thanksgiving recess. The Strobe's final issue will be Dec. 9.

EDITORIAL

We Need Your Support

On Nov. 18, in room G-04 of the Hammond Building, the Student Affairs Committee will meet to discuss issues surrounding the regulation of off-campus students.

We at the *Strobe* support a laissez-faire policy in regard to students that live outside the immediate area of the FSC campus. Students that live in apartments outside the campus environment are expected to live up to their obligations to the Fitchburg Community; however, they are also expected to pay rent and meet the obligations that most private citizens do.

Currently, the FSC administration enforces a policy that states, in its basic form, that students that violate state/and or local law are subject not only to the Fitchburg community but also to the FSC Judicial Code. We feel that this policy is an infringement on the rights of students as private citizens. If we as students are expected to act as adults within the community, then we should be treated with the same respect.



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1. All submissions must be typed and double spaced.
2. Letter's to the editor must include the writer's name. If a person wishes to remain anonymous, the *Strobe* will withhold the name, however, it still must be included in the letter.
3. Commentaries and letters must be no more than 450 words in length and are subject to editing.
4. News and announcements from clubs should be no more than a few paragraphs in length and are subject to editing.
5. The deadline for articles is every Friday, 12 days before the publication date.

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Announcements...

"The Psychic Realm" will be the topic for discussion at the FSC Newman Center on Wednesday, Nov. 18, from 6—7:30 p.m. Among the issues to be addressed will be the validity of the Ouija Board, Extra Sensory Perception and dream interpretation. All are invited to attend.

S.A.M. (The Society for the Advancement of Management) will be having a Lip Sync Contest on Nov. 18. Winners will receive cash prizes! For more details, look for posters in G-Lobby.

The Career Services Center announces the following important dates: Nov. 16, scheduled interviews with Zayre Corporation and Nov. 17, the U.S. Army Audit Agency. Fall workshops will continue with resume writing on Nov. 18 from 3:30-5:00, using the career resource library on Nov. 19 from 1:30-2:30 and career decision making on Dec. 7 from 4:30-6:00. All sign-ups are in Room 313 of the Hammond Building.

The FSC Alumni Association presents a shopping in New York trip on Saturday, Nov. 28. A motorcoach will pick students up at FSC at 6:30 a.m. and drop them off at Macy's department store. The return trip will pick up at 6:00 p.m. and arrive back in Fitchburg at approximately 10:30 p.m. The cost is \$28 per person. Contact Denise Ehnstrom for more information.

FSC Counseling Services is accepting applications for ACCESS positions for second semester of the 1987—88 academic year. ACCESS is a volunteer peer counseling program with emphasis on students helping students. Deadline for filling applications is Nov. 20; contact Counseling Services, third floor Hammond Building, for more information.

CORRECTION: Last week's *Strobe* article entitled

"WXPL Day Hits High Note" mistakenly reported Tom Tierney as station manager. Kevin Dowling is, in fact, station manager of WXPL. The *Strobe* regrets the error.



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FEATURES

En Route to a Different Perspective

by Cynthia Donovan

"I won't tell you to have a good time," a friend said just before I hung up the phone. After all, my friends and I were off to visit someone in the hospital. No one visits sick to have a good time. You go because you have to or to cheer the unfortunately ill.

Fun wasn't the objective when we piled into the blue Subaru. My roommate's dad, sick and in the hospital, was her only relative in New England. First stop: two blocks from our house, The Corner Book Store. My roommate dropped \$10 for news magazines for her dad and I blew \$5 on *Rolling Stone's* Twentieth Anniversary issue and our faithful friend the driver saved his money. Back in the blue Subaru, we hit the narrow "open" central Mass. "road."

Traveling down route 2A east, we looked at the hills of Fitchburg from a different perspective. It was peak autumn foliage season and the red, orange and yellow leaves made us glad that we decided to attend college in New England.

Peeking out from behind the leaves was a sky-blue victorian house with a pointed tower. My friends decided that the house had been sub-divided and that the tower was someone's small apartment.

Heading into Westminster we noted how the fall colors and brisk, clean, smelling air beautified all we encountered. An unstable white rail fence, complete with peeling paint was labeled "rustic." Old factories and mills by the side of the Nashua River reminded us of what our corner of America once stood for. Red brick houses complete with ivy stirred up dreams of homes we someday hope to buy.

Somehow, amid all the visual bombardment, someone realized that we were going the wrong way. The Subaru needed to chug down route 2

west, not route 2A east. After a quick call to the hospital to verify the directions we turned around and headed back to Fitchburg.

Through Fitchburg and Leominster we quickly moved on to route 2 west and then off again in Harvard. Once in Ayer, the blue car followed little blue signs emblazoned with an H for hospital. Luckily we missed a sign indicating a turn and we traveled out of downtown Ayer and into Shirley.

Realizing that once again the Subaru was pointed toward the FSC campus instead of the hospital, we stopped at a gas station, read a poster advertising a local Halloween church dance and asked for and received yet another set of directions. Driving by Fort Devens, my roommate spotted the visual apex of our journey.

A rainbow arched to our right and to our left, touching the ground on both sides. As the car came closer to the center of Ayer, the rainbow became brighter and more vivid. We discussed how ancient man must have perceived unexplained wonders such as this and the biblical significance of the rainbow.

Turning on to the road the hospital was located on we left the rainbow behind us and drove into the beginnings of a sunset.

The hospital was small and rural, but we decided that it looked like a warm friendly place. My roommate found her dad's room with little trouble while my friend and I found a sitting room and watched the completion of the sunset.

After the visit, we headed home. It hadn't been that bad. This is my fourth year at FSC and I doubt that I will ever travel the backroads of the Montachusett region again. Together, my friends and I saw places and marveled at simple things we had not seen before. And yes, even though we were not told to do so, we had fun.

Meet the Starving Icecubes

by Graeme Pearson

So your sick of the dorms and you want to live in an apartment huh?

For those students who live in the surrounding area of FSC, off-campus housing is an attractive alternative to the "prison" of the dormitories. The beginning of the fall semester starts off warm. Even the people you meet are warm as they are pleased to see your friendly face again after the long hot summer.

Then as the sun strains to bring life to each shortening day, the harsh reality of winter whistles under the door. Energy bills go up, the thermometer goes down and thoughts of a trouble-free, comfortable off-campus lifestyle go out the window.

You have to cook your own meals. You have to pay bills. The watchfull eye of the R.A. is replaced by an even more demanding landlord. Instead of skipping across North Street from classes you have to walk an extra mile sometimes to make it back to warmth and security, and often there isn't even that to come home to.

For five days, the girls of 110 Myrtle Avenue battled out a total lack of power. Their oil burner did not work and they were trapped in a

frozen coffin of darkness. Ann, Sue, Dawn, Patricia and Margarite lived on a diet of Kentucky Fried Chicken, McDonalds, peanut butter crackers and milk.

"We couldn't even make a cup of tea to keep us warm," said Margarite, former resident of Aubuchon Hall.

Apparently the landlord offered little help. After taking their \$600 each up front for the semester, which is unlawful, he continued not to heed their frantic cries for help on the phone.

"He's broken our contract more times than he'll care to remember," said Margarite, gritting her teeth at the injustice.

On the fifth day, there was light and heat. The Starving Icecubes (their chosen nickname) all made it through the ordeal alive and gave thanks to the God of Electricity by settling in to normality with a cup of tea, a slice cake and a nice chat in their heat-filled home.

So if you're considering moving off-campus, maybe you'll think again knowing what you know now. The Saga of The Starving Icecubes is but one example of unexpected difficulties and hardships beyond dorm life. It's not all a cup of tea and cake.

One Person's View of Stress

by Kay Stidsen

The effect of stress on one's general state of health and productivity in the workplace is a major concern of experts in both medicine and management. Economic, familiar and social situations may all cause upheaval in people's lives.

In a positive aspect, stress may be the sense of concentration you feel when faced with a new and challenging encounter. With negative stress, your body stays geared up and doesn't relax. Your physical and emotional health can suffer. Compulsively striving for impossible goals without experiencing satisfaction is one type of negative stress which may be managed.

If you are a compulsive perfectionist, you are undoubtedly skilled at focusing on all the ways you fall short. You categorize every mistake and shortcoming. Here is a simple method that may help you reverse this painful tendency: List what you do right each day. See how many points you can accumulate. Though this may seem too unsophisticated to

be of help, experiment with it for two weeks.

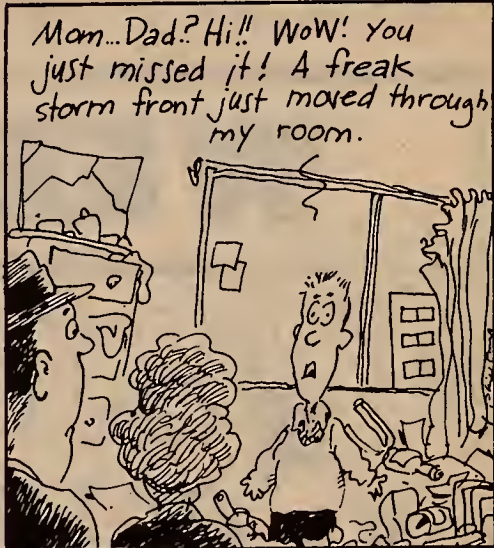
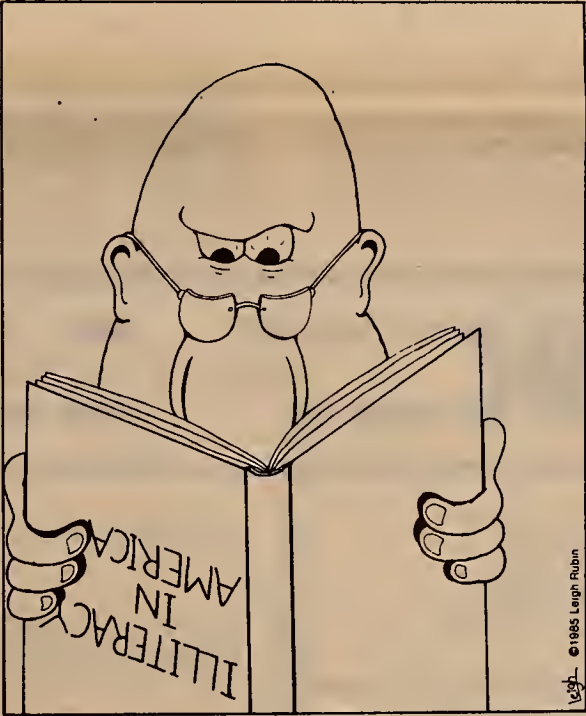
Chances are you will discover that you will begin to focus more on the positives in your life and will consequently feel better about yourself.

Another helpful procedure involves asking yourself, "What can I learn from my mistakes?" Think about some error you have made and write down everything you learn from it. Never give up your right to be wrong because then you will lose the ability to gain new information and to move forward with your life.

Finally, you can combat perfectionism by exposing the absurdity in the all-or-nothing thinking. Look around you. Are the walls totally clean? Do you know anyone who is totally calm and confident all the time? This type of thinking may be self-defeating and unrealistic.

Stress may be a fact of life, but it doesn't have to be a way of life. You cannot eliminate stress but you can change the way you react to it. You can be in control, live life to its fullest and be a more productive person.

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Snowy weather conditions put a quick white blanket over the FSC campus.

Fundraising Effort Tops Half-Million

FSC earned \$518,694 in private support for the 1986-87 fiscal year, the second year in a row that more than a half-million dollars was raised, according to an announcement by the college.

A total of \$110,742 was contributed by alumni and parents, \$45,100 from area individuals, \$82,902 from corporations and \$175,933 in scholarship aid by a variety of civic and private groups. The balance of the half-million represented earnings on endowment activities.

"We're really pleased with the level of support we've received from area corporations and individuals," said Daniel S. Flynn, assistant to FSC President Vincent Mara. "And we're particularly happy with the alumni activity."

The rate of participation in the annual fund was 33 percent in 1985-86—the highest participation rate in the nation for public comprehensive colleges soliciting more than half of all alumni. This year's rate was 35 percent.

By comparison, the average participation rate for alumni was 14 percent for public comprehensive colleges and 24 percent for private comprehensives, according to a survey by the Council for Aid to Education in 1985-86.

FSC began an active fundraising program in the 1980s and has built a college endowment of more than \$1.9 million since then, according to Flynn.

PERSONALS

Personals are available free of charge to all FSC students

The Strobe assumes no responsibility for comments in this section. We reserve the right to edit Personals.

To the freshmen with the big nose in modern European history at 9:30. Blow it don't eat it!

T.J.D.
I love you!
Your big sis

Brian,
"Bn," you're all talk. Thanks for nothing

Port,
Your blue eyes are the best!
An acquaintance

Bob P.,
Your name is mud if you don't stop gossiping!
Crusher

Stephanie H.,
I found your story.

Andy,
Have you seen the STROBE today?
Ssssspppppiddey!

Mam,
Let me be the one.
The Phoenix

153 Snow Street gals,
Thanks for being there.
ALP

Debbie,
How's the romance going? Did he stay in Florida? Alone?
Bones

Jenny,
Stop trying to kiss me at recess!
An Unhappy Follower

Wimbo,
If you eat a whole stick, you will feel sick.
Mika

To a Secret JD fan,
We just got a new album. You're cordially invited to come over and listen but you have to pay your fan club dues first.

Lisa Lisa,
B.J. at breakfast is unhealthy. Take care.
Love C.C.

Attention Cindy, Paula Associates:
Don't flatter yourselves. You're not as nice looking as you think you are.
Party house

Minister Brian,
I believe you.
Me

Jim,
I don't agree with your politics but I think you're a good guy! When's the next party?
Spiderman

Shawn,
We will - know why, because we care.
Love always, #3750

No Pete! We're afraid! We don't want to get into trouble.

Aaron, you are amazing and unpredictable?

How many FSC girls miss Brian strolling the campus?
A broken-hearted admirer

Me-Me, Auntie Di, Baroo & Diva,
I still love you guys!
Lib

Leea Doodle, I love you mostest.
Love, Your Bareskin

Hey Spanky,
Keep in touch with yourself. P & T forever.
Dad

Cath,
We have not forgotten about dinner in Worcester. We will get together as soon as possible. There—now you have it in writing!
MB

Coach,
Thanks for all the help. You are the best there is. Am I passing or failing?
Tingles

We promise Chris; we won't tell anyone else that you got blown off by a suburban.
A and T

Excuse me sir, is this the Knights? Sure, come on in.

Eric,
I think you're cute.
I crave your bod.
If you crave mine too. Then please just nod.
Lou Lou

"Wrongway Forget"

To Jim, JD's friend,
He's told me a lot about you. Call me.
Jodi

Katie R.,
You're looking hot.
DT

To my best friend,
From your best friend

Armand,
Twenty-six isn't bad!
I guess I can wait!
Sparkplug

Pat,
Beach party in Vietnam?
Paul

Hi Jenni,
Happy Birthday!
Love Mel

Dunnie,
Don't get in anymore accidents! Hope you feel better!
Less

K.J.,
I hope we're still friends.

Kath, Dawn, Zette,
The question of the day: "Did you think today?"
Love, Kathy O.

Curls,
Are they really for the girls? What did you do to the shower? I didn't hit the bottom yet but Steve did.
Nire

C. Wellens,
What's a balance sheet anyway?
B

To the Cheerleaders,
What color is the white house? Ask your history teacher.

Duckle, Cin, C.B.,
Sheer Lameness!
(Hog Fest)
Woofa

Pige,
Glad to see your eyes are back!
C

Tony,
How big is your bathroom?

Dougie Fresh,
Excellent!

Shawn C.,
Your the best.
Love, your little sister,
OB

Cheerleaders,
Thanks for all of your great support and time. It really is appreciated.
FSC football team
Al,
You are a doll.
Guess who?

Cleo,
Have a nice day.
Love, your new roomie

Wanted: New topics for all night girl talk. Send to the 6:20 a.m. crew care of Warren L.

Snappy and Bo-Bo,
Thanks for the dedication.

Aaron and Mark,
I am the real Anti Christ!
Religiously Lost

Barry,
Here's looking at you kid!
Hat Woman

Bonnie,
Don't ever forget whatever you remember about the bushes.
M

Kim P.,
Is this the week you do all your work?
Buddy

Don't kid yourself, Scott G.
You're about as cool as Jerry Lewis

Hello! To all my fellow Nuggers
Matt-do

M,
"Real hair, real nails, real tissues."

Hoppa,
Have a beer on you.
F-Belly

Terry,
Want some raisons...
Love, Your Roommate

Jan,
Where's Joel? Who's Joel?
Hawk

Brian and Dave,
What constitutes a "perfect" evening for you?
Maria

Hey Mags,
Break any little girls legs lately?

Jim,
Thanks for bringing me a coke when I couldn't leave my station.
Love, Rose

WEEKLY CALENDAR

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18—24

ANNOUNCING.



SPEAKER: Carol Beeso,
"The Psychic Realm,"
6pm, Newman Center.
The public is invited to attend.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

CAREER SERVICES-Using the Career resource Library: 1:30-2:30pm. Sign-up in Hammond 313.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

FRIDAY AT FITCHBURG: Check in at 8am, Hammond Main Lounge.

TGIF: 4:30pm, Pub.

MIXER: 8pm, Pub, all ages welcome.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

C.L.E.P. & NURSING EXAMS: 8:30am, Percival 101.

FILM: "My Chauffeur," 3:30, 7 & 9:15pm, CCLH.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

BLOODMOBILE SIGN-UPS: 10am-2pm, G-lobby, today & tomorrow - for Bloodmobile on 12/2.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS MTG: 3:30pm, B-27.

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Coming events



WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

NURSING STUDENT ASSOCIATION-CAREER DAY: 8:30am, G-rooms.

FILM: "Out of Bounds," 3:30, 7 & 9:15pm, CCLH.

ACC CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MTG: G-06, 3:30pm.

ACC STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MTG: 3:30pm, G-04.

CAREER SERVICES-Resume Writing Workshop: 3:30-5pm. Sign-up in Hammond 313.

COMMENTARY

Goodbye to a Good Man

by James G. Salsman

American government has lost a worthy servant. When Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger chose to resign this month, he left behind him an impressive legacy of commitment to America's security.

First and foremost he oversaw a rearmament program which brought America's military up to par with our adversaries. It was Weinberger who lobbied to continue the \$2 trillion buildup when Reagan sought compromise.

Weinberger fought against the fiscal insanity of the Gramm-Rudman budget law which called for 50% of budget cuts to come from defense which is only 1/3 of the federal budget.

Weinberger was always an advocate of spending whatever had to be spent to protect the nation and he opposed those who sought to balance the budget by risking our security.

As a committed skeptic of arms control, he diligently warned the president and congress about Soviet treaty violations even when they were unwilling to listen.

Weinberger reversed the dangerous 1970's policy of unilateral disarmament with the production of the B-1 Bomber, Trident submarine and the MX missile.

When Weinberger took the helm at the Defense Department, America was spending only 60 cents for every dollar the Soviets put into their military. Today, that ratio is 92 cents to the dollar.

Though a disparity still exists, the US is certainly safer because of the work of Cap Weinberger than if he had not served.

Weinberger was not blindly militaristic. It was he who argued against sending US troops to play the dubious role of peacekeeper in wartorn Lebanon. Weinberger consistently favored only prudent and necessary uses of US military force.

When such force was applied, Weinberger was able to display a new and improved military. The retaliation strikes against Iran and Libya, as well as the liberation of Grenada were prime examples of a US military that could get the job done.

Far from being involved in the Iran fiasco of the past year, it was Weinberger who, from the outset, advised the president that the arms-for-hostages scheme was "absurd."

Indeed, in all respects it is clear that Weinberger was the most consistent voice of reason in the Reagan White House and that is what makes his departure so troubling.

Reagan's defense policy today is

in shambles. The defense budget hasn't grown at all past inflation in the last three years and he's about to sign a treaty that would disarm all of Europe and make the continent safe for Soviet domination.

These ridiculous policies were fought tooth and nail by Weinberger and now there's no one in the White House to wake Reagan from his child's fantasy about abolishing nuclear weapons.

Weinberger was not perfect. There were many cost overruns in the Pentagon during his tenure but one can forgive him when realizing what a massive overhaul he had on his hands in 1981 and what a great sum of money had to be spent to make up for a decade of neglect.

But above all else, Weinberger was a unique character in the Reagan Administration. He was a man of integrity who was rational, principled and unwilling to compromise no matter how unpopular it made him. America is safer because of his dogged tenacity to maintain our strength.

With Weinberger gone, the future is uncertain. It could be some time before there is another person like him serving in the White House. What is certain is that we need more men and women like him. His talents and idealism will be sorely missed.

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understand for themselves," said McKenzie, who feels that this comes from within, not from parents. He spoke of the development of autonomy in the learning process of toileting, or "eliminating."

Children have to make connections, which doesn't happen before age 2, and, McKenzie said, they have to know what it feels like to connect the physical feeling with what needs to be done to relieve it. McKenzie feels that the beginning of mastery of elimination is important to a child's sense of self and that a supportive environment affects self-esteem.

Following the seminar, the issue of "support services for the education on parents knowing their children well" was discussed. "Pediatricians, with rare exceptions, are not a source of support," said McKenzie. He thinks this will be changed only when parents bring pressure on the medical system.

Courses

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liness—feminine ideals through the lifespan; Concepts of Morality; Gender Roles in the Family and Workplace and more.

Dr. Kempers approaches her course from a different perspective. In her course, "Women in Society," Kempers considers the exploration of women's experiences essential as both men and women seek to understand our world.

"By focusing explicitly on women, individuals can better comprehend the ways in which society shapes women's lives," she said.

According to Kempers, Topics: "Women in Society," will explore the history and diversity of feminist thought. It will also examine contemporary theories and debates concerning the institutions shape that differentiate the lives of women.

A primary goal of this course is to develop a deeper appreciation of the variety of women's realities; accordingly, readings will be drawn from many cultural contexts.



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The Hidden is Worth Revealing

by Maria Mewing

The Hidden, an action-packed suspense thriller, is a cross between *Invasion of the Body Snatchers* and *The Terminator*.

TV movie critics Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert even have agreed on the above assessment of the movie.

The movie is directed by Jack Sholder and stars Kyle MacLachan as the unearthly policeman and Michael Nouri as his human counterpart.

The duo pursue an evasive alien criminal which overtakes human hosts to maintain its deviant fascinations with illegal money, weapons, fast cars and loud punk music.

The bizarreness of this tale starts

in the opening scene where we find a well-dressed businessman who greatly resembles a demented Harrison Ford. He comes into a bank, robs it and jumps into his Ferrari and speeds off, blaring hardcore punk music.

The ensuing car chase with the police is itself worth the price you pay for admission. The camerawork was masterfully done and caused more than one stomach in the audience to take a dive as the Ferrari tears through construction sites and up and down hills.

We also get a taste of how different these criminals are going to be as the businessman/thief steps out of his car into a hail of gunfire only to

remain standing until an explosion slows him down for the authorities.

MacLachan, last seen as Jeffrey in *Blue Velvet*, provides a crisply executed and at times, humorous performance as the alien cop tracking his alien criminal. Nouri lends the emotion and purpose to this out-of-this-world tale until the end where he is upstaged by MacLachan. The two are dynamic, with Nouri's warm good looks contrasting sharply with MacLachan's bird-like mannerisms and pale complexion.

If you don't mind seeing a few grotesque moments to reach a fast-paced but eventually heartwarming tale, then go see what *The Hidden* is all about.

A Very Special Rock 'n' Roll Christmas

by Tony Lorenzen

I know Christmas starts earlier every year and some people think Christmas carols are silly and most people are sick of benefit albums but the lp *A Very Special Christmas* is worth checking out before the season really kicks in.

As a production of the Special Olympics, all proceeds will be donated to Special Olympics International. The liner notes contain a letter from chairman of Special Olympics International, Eunice Kennedy Shriver, which I wish had the space to reprint.

One thing I don't like about Christmas is the carols. Most of the time they sound banal, performed without the soul they need to give them their power to work as pieces of music. This is not true of the performances of the standards on this lp.

The performances here are fantastic. Here's a rundown of some of the better tracks.

The best tracks are from Bob Seger and the Silver Bullet Band with their rendition of "The Little Drummer Boy" and "Silent Night," which includes Stevie Nicks on vocals.

The Pointer Sisters open the record with "Santa Clause is Comin' to Town." Based on the Springsteen version, it is a likeable copy complete with Roy Bittan on piano and

Clarence Clemons on backing vocals and saxophone.

Whitney Houston shows off her extraordinary vocal chords on a pretty version of "Do You Hear What I Hear." The Boss and the E street Band contribute "Merry Christmas Baby" and John Cougar Mellencamp and his band rock up a nice rendition of "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus."

The Pretenders perform "Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas." The Pretenders' Chrissie Hynde said recently, "We don't so much inherit the world from our parents as we do borrow it from our children." A nice thought and since it fits the spirit of the thing, well... you know.

U2's "Christmas (Baby Come Home)" is typical U2 rock with nice backing vocals by Darlene Love. RUN-DMC's "Christmas in Hollis" is fun holiday hip-hop and Sting turns in a gothic performance on "Gabriels Message."

Madonna's "Santa Baby," Bryan Adams' "Run Rudolph Run," Bon Jovi's "Back Door Santa" and Allison Moyet's "The Coventry Carol" are all inoffensive fier.

The only weak spot is the Eurhythmics' attempt at "Winter Wonderland" but in the spirit of the thing we'll let it go.

The production, mostly by Jimmy Iovine, is excellent. The credits are many and I don't have the space. If you get a chance, check this one out.

Princess Bride Enchants

The Princess Bride, an enchanting fantasy film directed by Rob Reiner, is a fairy tale made for adults.

The film stars Cary Elwes and Robin Wright as the hero and heroine. She believes that he is dead and is forced to marry the prince (Chris Sarandon). Elwes later returns to save the princess bride.

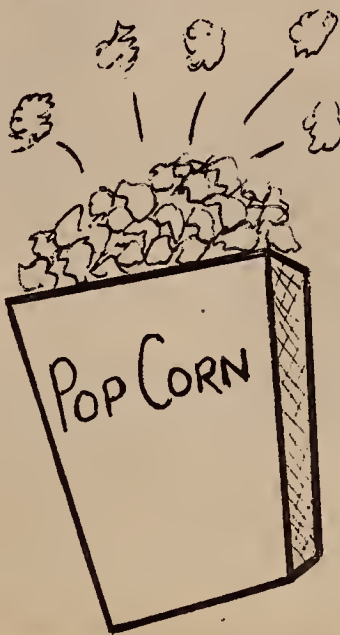
They face many obstacles throughout the film. Their perils include traveling through the treacherous

rodent-infested fireswamp and Elwes having years of his life drained by a six-fingered sadomasochist (Christopher Guest). In the end, though, love prevails.

Andre the Giant and Peter Falk also star, while Billy Crystal and Carol Kane have hilarious cameos.

If you want to be swept away for awhile, go see *Princess Bride* and pretend Reiner is the Walt Disney of the eighties.

-Jill Naughton

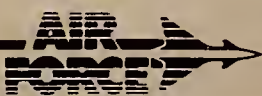


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SPORTS

They'll Play Three

All-Northeast Field Hockey Team Named

by Ben Hampton

Connecticut but the snow may have put a damper on things.

Last week Jill Myllykangas, Patti Ricci and Linda Pellegrino went to Holy Cross to try out for the All Northeast Collegiate Field Hockey team. And to the delight of all three, all three made the team. They were scheduled to play last weekend in

This year the trio lead the FSC field hockey team. Ricci lead the team in scoring with Pellegrino feeding her most of the assists. Myllykangas also had an excellent year, helping out all over the field.

Winter Sports Preview

The Strobe will publish a full winter sports preview in next week's edition.

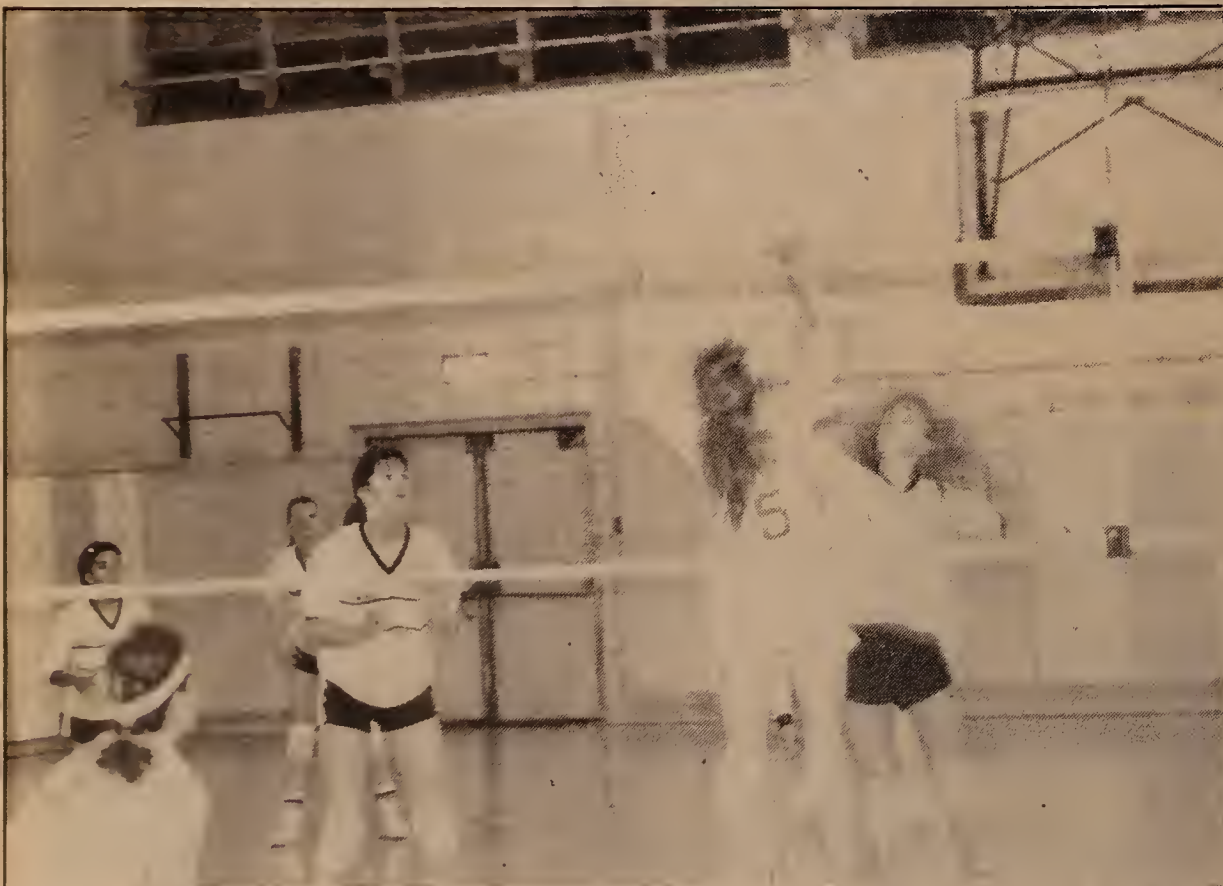


Congrats, Champs...



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Uncommon Rif-Raf took this year's co-ed intramural volleyball championship. Team members are Chris Fratallia, Steve Maloney, Geri Wennerholt, Rhonda Counts and Roberta Miranda.



Strobe photo by Chang Kim

FSC Football Winds Down the Season

by Ben Hampton

Coach Dave Secino's squad recently completed their senior year of varsity football play at Westfield State, losing 35-8. The Falcons ended the year at 0-8.

For the season on the offensive side, Chris Maloney led the team in rushing while Kevin Gates and Brian Murray filled in nicely at quarterback for the injured Brian Ludwig. Senior Mike Fitzgibbons and Butch Nadeau made some key receptions in a few games. Captains Fitzgibbons, Scott Sheldon, Dave Lambert and Phil Baron all completed their final season of play for FSC.

On the special teams, Jim Carven and Brian Breth gave the Falcons some needed field position with long

returns. All in all, look for the offense to come alive next year.

Last but not least is the defense. This unit kept the Falcons in a lot of games this year, turning in their finest performance against division champs Worcester State. Bob Napoli, Mike Connolly, Lambert, John Jangro and Mark Messina anchored a very strong defensive corps that hopefully won't dull during the winter.

Finally, a large round of applause to the FSC football team. They have come a long way since September 1984 when they didn't have training facilities and scheduled games with schools like Ithaca State. (Who can forget 82-0?) They are now safely in a conference (New England Conference), have pre-season training facilities and are looking better and better each year.



Strobe photo by Matt Datilio

Soccer Loses to Salem

The Strobe would like to salute the FSC soccer team. Coach Malcolm MacPherson's team was the first FSC team in history to make it to the NCAA tournament. On Saturday, Nov. 7, they went to Salem to play Salem State. They were ahead 2-1 with seconds left in the game when a penalty kick was given to Salem State. Salem made good on the kick and went on to win the game in overtime. Aside from the heartbreaking loss, the Falcons had a tremendous season and look forward to making it back to the tournament next year.



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FSC lost to Salem State in the opening round of the NCAA soccer tournament Nov. 7.